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SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT	
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WHITING: [REDACTED]	

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1. On 10 September 1951, it was observed that the signal unit which departed from the former telegraph construction office at the Friedrich Franz Kaserne, Neuruppin (M 53/2 49), about three months before had returned to its quarters. Trucks, which were seen leaving the barracks installation toward Wittstocker Allee, were occupied by 20 to 25 soldiers each [REDACTED]

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2. An undetermined number of T-34/85 tanks from the Fridericus Kaserne crossed the Rhine River, west of Altruppin Schleuse (lock), on 9 September. Twelve pontoons were assembled into a ferry and covered with planking. Two tanks were seen moving onto the ferry successively, while the ferry was secured to the bank by a truck with hoisting gear. A three-axle amphibious vehicle was coupled to a ferry and towed it across the river. On the opposite river bank, the ferry went alongside a landing ramp of four pontoons, whereupon the tanks moved ashore. [REDACTED] the engineer unit involved in the exercise had about 300 troops. The troops bivouacked near the crossing point. Vehicles observed during the exercise were [REDACTED]

(2) Trucks [REDACTED] each carrying 22 soldiers with baggage, passed through Neuruppin toward Neustadt on the Dosse River on 10 September. (3)

3. Three Soviet officers, 1 Soviet interpreter, and 1 German, riding in sedan [REDACTED] purchased spare parts for motor vehicles at the Zweck firm in Neuruppin on 4 September. They allegedly came from the SAC Dunawerke at Schkopau via Verseburg. A Soviet major, 1 captain and 1 interpreter, riding in sedans [REDACTED] purchased spare parts for motor vehicles at the Zweck firm and at the hardware cooperative on 6 September. They came from the Schweinrich training area. (4)

4. An amphibious car was photographed on Wittstocker Allee near Kuhburgberg and Neuruppin. An AAA unit was photographed when it entrained at the Neuruppin railroad station on 23 August. (5)

## Comments.

- (1) The signal battalion of the 12th Gds Tank Div left the telegraph construction office of the Friedrich Franz Kaserne on 21 April 1951, probably for field

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- training. [redacted]. The trucks mentioned in the present report belong to components of the 12th Gds Tank Div. 50X1-HUM
- (2) [redacted] also [redacted] river-crossing practices by tanks at that [redacted] 50X1-HUM
- tire and, [redacted] vehicles belonging to head-quarters engineer troops of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army. 50X1-HUM
- (3) The trucks belong to the MCB unit in Guestrow. [redacted]
- (4) [redacted] the officers effecting purchases belong to the SCC, the Hq IX Mtz Rifle Corps and the 18th Mecz Div. 50X1-HUM
- (5) The amphibious vehicle, apparently having two axles, cannot be identified. It is probably used by reconnaissance components of divisions, whereas the larger three-axle types previously observed are believed to belong to engineer units. The materiel on the train includes model 1939 37-mm AA guns and truck-mounted 12.7-mm AA machine guns.

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